### SO ORDERED

Date signed April 21, 2004



# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND at Greenbelt

| In Re:   | * |          |                             |
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| NATIONAL ENERGY & GAS  | * | Case No. | 03-30459PM and 03-30461PM   |
| TRANSMISSION, INC, (f/k/a PG&E NATIONAL ENERGY GROUP, INC.) et al. | * |          | through Case No. 03-30464PM |
|  | * |          | and 03-30686                |
| Debtors  | * |          | through 03-30687            |
|  | * |          |                             |
|  | * |          | Chapter 11                  |
| ***********  | * |          |                             |
| In Re:   | * |          |                             |
| USGEN NEW ENGLAND, INC.  | * | Case No. | 03-30465PM                  |
|  | * |          |                             |
|  | * |          |                             |
| Debtor   | * |          |                             |
|  | * |          | Chapter 11                  |
| **********   | * |          |                             |

### AMENDED ORDER FOR COMPLEX CHAPTER 11 BANKRUPTCY CASES

The court previously entered Complex Case Orders concerning the administration of the National Energy & Gas Transmission bankruptcy case, entered July 9, 2003 [D.E. 53], and of the USGen New England bankruptcy case, entered July 21, 2003 [D.E. 79]. Upon further reflection the court makes the following amendments and additions to the aforesaid orders.

# **Modifications**:

Paragraphs 4(a) and (b), addressing notice of motions requiring emergency or expedited relief, are amended to read as follows:

- 4(a) The notice shall clearly state that the motion is being heard on an Expedited or Emergency Basis, and the motion shall state with specificity the reason why an emergency exists or why there is a need for expedited treatment. No separate Motion for an emergency hearing is required.
- 4(b) Movant shall serve notice of the Motion and of the hearing as set forth above (including the language above giving notice of the hearing date and the necessity to file a response). However, the movant may choose a Hearing Day that is less than twenty three (23) days after notice is given. Movant should choose a date that allows as much time as possible for consideration and response by parties receiving the notice. The motion may be set for the next Hearing Day only if absolutely necessary. The notice shall provide that responses may be served *via* facsimile by the earlier of seventeen days from service of the motion or 24 hours before hearing. The notice shall also provide that any response must be filed with the court through CMECF or in hard copy. The court will not accept responses filed by facsimile.

Paragraph 1(d), addressing the updating of the Service List, is amended to read as follows:

1(d) The Debtors shall update the Service List, and shall file in the case a copy of the updated Service List at least once a month thereafter. If no changes to the Service List have occurred since the last time an updated Service List was filed with the court, on a monthly basis, the Debtors shall file a line so stating and that references the docket number and date of the most recent Service List.

#### Additions:

### Length of Pleadings:

Without leave of court, no opening or answering brief, motion or other pleading shall exceed forty (40) pages in length, and no reply brief, opposition or response shall exceed twenty-five (25) pages in length, in each instance, exclusive of tables of contents and citations. This limitation shall not apply to plans of reorganization or liquidation, or to disclosure statements.

#### Chambers Copies:

In the event that any pleading, attachment, or exhibit exceeds twenty-five (25) pages in length, one hard copy of the paper shall be delivered to Chambers (via the Clerk's office) within three (3) days of the time that the original documents are electronically filed. The copy shall include a cover letter that references the docket number and that clearly states it is being furnished as a Chambers Copy only, and does not constitute a filing with the court.

## Filing of Exceptionally Voluminous Documents:

Administrative Order 03-02 section VI provides:

"A Filing User must submit as exhibits or attachments only those excerpts of the referenced documents that are directly germane to the matter under consideration by the Court."

The maximum volume that the CMECF system is able to accept per single document is 10 attachments of 1.5 megabytes each (approximately 250 scanned pages). If a party finds that, taking into account the above language, it is necessary to file with the court an attachment or exhibit to a document that exceeds 15 megabytes, the following procedure shall be followed:

a. Attached to the document shall be a line that states:

Due to its voluminous nature, a hard copy of (<u>name of exhibit(s)</u>) will be filed with the court and copies may be obtained by contacting counsel, (<u>name of counsel</u>), by (<u>mode of contact</u>). The hard copy filed with the court shall also be available for viewing at the Clerk's office.

- b. Also attached to the document shall be an exhibit list, or other table of contents.
- c. In addition to the required Chambers Copy, counsel shall file a hard copy of the attachment(s) or exhibit(s) with the court. The papers shall be either bound or included in binders, easily handleable. Receipt of the hard copy by the Clerk's office will constitute a filing with the court.

#### SO ORDERED.

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